FORESTS WITH ADDITIONAL , CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) The information regard ing the names of the implementing agencies, original sanctioned cost, the latest cost overrun estimates, likely dates of completion etc. in respect of the Central Sector Projects, each cost-ing Rs. 20 crores and above, is given in the Annual Report of the Ministry of Programme Implementation, circulated annually to the Members of Parliament during the Budget Session. The Annual Report for 1988-89 is available in the Library of Parliament.

Rooms reserved for Senior Officials on 30th August, 1989 in Ministries/ Departments of Government of India

859. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATH.: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Govern ment had issued instructions to diffe rent Ministries, departments to reserve •rooms for its senior officials on 30th August, 1989 on account of Bharat Bandh;

(b) if so, the names of the Ministries, departments which has reserved rooms in Government Hotels in New Delhi, Bombay and Madras;

(c) whether any rooms were reserved in Ashok Yatri Niwas, New Delhi, if so, their number and the charges paid; and

(d) what were the reasons for reservation of such a large number of rooms in Government run Hotels?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Instructions were issued to various Ministries/Departments specifying *in. ter alia,* that facilities for overnight stay of the staff *in the offic premises,* wherever requested, should be made available.

(b) to (d) In so far as the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions is concerned, no room was reserved in any Government Hotels to provide accommodation to any employee of the Ministry. The arrangement was made in the office premises itself. In so far as other MinistrieslDepart-ments are concerned, the information will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

Development of Chandaka Elephant Sanctuary in Orissa

860. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any schemes to develop Elephant Sanctuaries in the country;

(b) what help and assistance has been extended to Orissa so far for the development Of Chandaka Elephant Sanctuary; and

(c) what specific schemes have been drawn up by Government for the development of Chandaka Elephant Sanctuary during the Eighth Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) There is no specific scheme for development of elephant sanctuaries. However, financial assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Assistance for Development of Sanctuaries" is made available to the State Governments for development of wildlife sanctuaries, including those containing elephants.

(b) Amount of financial assistance extended to Government of Orissa for development of Chandaka Wildlife